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HOUSE BILL NO. 944

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BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

ATTORNEY GENERAL: Adds the attorney general as a recipient of fire safe cigarette certifications

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1629(A)(introductory paragraph) and (C), relative to
3	cigarettes; to require certification to the attorney general of compliance with the
4	"Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act"; and to provide for related
5	matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 40:1629(A)(introductory paragraph) and (C) are hereby amended and
8	reenacted to read as follows:
9	§1629. Certification and product change
10	A. Each manufacturer shall submit to the state fire marshal and the attorney
11	general a written certification attesting that:
12	* * *
13	C. Copies of the certifications shall be made available to the attorney general
14	for purposes consistent with this Act* and the Department of Revenue for the
15	purposes of ensuring compliance with this Section.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires every cigarette manufacturer whose cigarettes are sold in this state to provide the attorney general with certification of compliance with the "Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act".

<u>Present law</u> requires each cigarette manufacturer to submit to the state fire marshal a written certification attesting that:

- (1) Each cigarette listed in the certification has been tested in accordance with <u>present</u> law.
- (2) Each cigarette listed in the certification meets the performance standards set forth in present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends <u>present law</u> by requiring the certifications to also be sent to the attorney general.

<u>Present law</u> provides that copies of the certifications shall be made available to the attorney general for purposes consistent with <u>present law</u> and the Dept. of Revenue for the purposes of ensuring compliance with <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes the requirement that copies of the certifications shall be made available to the attorney general.

(Amends R.S. 40:1629(A)(intro. para.) and (C))